

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Chapter 2954

Colorado Springs Diocese



Minutes
January 16

2020



**Meetings are rotated between
District 3, District 13, District 26 and District 34**

**District 3 is the Hosting District
Council 4699 will host at the Divine Redeemer
Michael Mason - Grand Knight
District Deputy - SK Tele Barrera
When: Monday, January 20, 2020.
Where: Divine Redeemer Perish, 926 Farragut Ave. Colorado Springs, CO. 80909
Enter through the parking lot double doors.**

Knights of Columbus - Minutes

Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapter 2954

Regular Business Meeting Agenda

January 20, 2020

Location of meeting: **Divine Redeemer** Previous Meeting **November 18, 2019**

Secretary: Daniel J Rolenc

Reminder before we proceed Please Silence or turn off your Cell telephones.

Membership Cards will be inspected by Warden (The Host Council will assign a Warden)

1. **Call to Order:**  (Sit Down)

Guadalupe Chapter President Called the meeting to order at: 7:00 PM

2. **Wardens Report on Membership Card.**

Worthy Host Council Warden, do you vouch that all present are in possession of the current membership card? Yes,

with attendance of: 35 (X) quorum () no quorum)

(Per the By-Laws of the Chapter we are set at: 15.)

3. **Opening of Meeting by the District Deputies**

Rise for Opening and Prayer



Knights to Christ

First Reader:

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world...

Whoever follows me will have the light of life

And will never walk in darkness." ~ John 8:12

Second Reader:

Lord Jesus,

You also said that where two or three come together in your name,

You are there with them.

The light of this candle symbolizes your presence among us.

Third Reader:

And, Lord Jesus,

Where you are,

There too are the Father and the Spirit.

And so we begin our meeting in the presence and name

Of the Father,

The Son,

And the Holy Spirit.

4. **Prayer** Our Father.....
5. **Followed by the Pledge of Allegiance**
6.  (Sit Down)

7. Acknowledge State Officers followed by Guests

State Officers in Attendance

Position	Officer	Attendance
State Deputy	Christopher J. Foley	Present
State Chaplain	Rev. John D. Stearns	
State Secretary	Jon Herskovits	
State Treasurer	Butch Enderle	
State Advocate	Marc Solome	
State Warden	Mark Sorenson	
IPSD	John "Jay" Doherty	
PSD	Charles (Chuck Page)	Present
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DISTRICT MASTER	Roger G. Muller	
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Executive Secretary	Craig Martin	
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Spl Ast. Support	John Lopez	Present
State Mbr. Cord.	Jason Pasioneck	
Special Events Cord.	Alan Wesenberg	
District Marshall	Bob Knapp	Present
Additional Area Marsh.	Duane Krones	Present



Guest Speaker:
Regional Membership
and
Program Consultant
Ray Lopez PSD

8. ROLL Call of Officers and District Deputies
 (A = Absent, E= Excused, P=Present)

Position	Officer	Attendance
President	SK Michael Rolla	Present
Vice President	SK Ray Meadows	Present
Treasurer	Frank Evans	Present
Secretary	SK Daniel J. Rolenc	Present
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District Deputy	Deputy	Attendance
District Deputy #3	Telesforo H. Barrera	Present
District Deputy #8*	Daniel E. Miltenberger	
District Deputy #9*	George J. Demetrios	
District Deputy #13	DeWayne Scott	Present
District Deputy #23	Donald G. Wiseman	
District Deputy #26	Daniel J. Rolenc	Present
District Deputy #30*	Byran Hartwig	
District Deputy #34	Alan (Al) Batey	Present
District Deputy #35*	Anthony J. Wernsman	
District Deputy #39	Bob Green	

9.  Say Grace "Bless us, O Lord, and these, Thy gifts, which we are about to receive from Thy bounty. Through Christ, our Lord. Amen."

10. The meeting was then adjourned for refreshments at: 7:07 pm.

11. The meeting reconvened at 7:15 pm.

12. A special thank you to Council 4699, Grand Knight Michael Mason and District Deputy #3 SK Tele Barrera for hosting the Chapter meeting tonight.

13.



All Rise:

We will now call upon our Guest Speaker:
 Regional Membership and Program Consultant Ray Lopez PSD

Note: Ray Lopez PSD Regional Director and Program Consultant spoke on the Delta Drive. He showed a power point presentational and highlighted the many important fact on the Drive.

He spoke on the planning,
Pastor Approval
Mass Attendance Projections
Set Goals
Lock in Dates & Degrees
Commit to Raffle Prize

He spoke on preparation,
Utilize Online Prospect Form
Order Delta Church Drive Kits
Order New Member Kits
Submit Bulletin Announcements
Build Ambassador Teams and Agree on Team Attire
Edit Pulpit Announcement and Confirm Speaker
Utilize the Online Prospect Form
US English: <https://info.kofc.org/us.html>
US Spanish: https://info.kofc.org/us_sp.html
Order your custom Delta Church Drive Kits
Order New Member Kits
Prepare your Pre-Delta Church Drive announcement in ample time to appear in bulletins 2-3 weeks prior to your actual Church Drive
To Everyone Exiting Mass *Thank you for hearing our story today!*
To Prospects Exiting Mass *“Thank you, you will be hearing from our Grand Knight today!”*
Review and Practice the Pulpit announcement
Prepare your Post-Delta Church Drive announcement in ample time continue to appear in bulletins 2-3 weeks AFTER your actual Church Drive

He spoke on implementation
Best Practices for Success when implementing your “Delta Church Drive.”

He spoke on welcoming.
Send Thank You Email to Announce the Raffle Winner
Invite ALL Prospects to a Charitable Outreach Function
Assign Mentors to Prospects

SUCCESS FROM THE PROSPECT'S POINT OF VIEW?

Reach out to **ME**

Engage **ME** as a friend

Communicate with **ME** early and often

Relate to **MY** perspective

Understand **MY** availability and offer **ME** choices

Include **MY** family and yours

Thank **ME** regularly and ask **ME** to invite a friend

Rays whole speech can be found here: (Click on Link Below)

<http://qudalupechapter.com/KOFC4th/Snd-1-16-20/Ray-Lopez-Delta-Drive.mp4>

14. Reading of Minutes: The minutes were submitted by email to all but may be read if so requested. Approved as submitted or Approved as amended.

I will entertain a motion to approve the minutes as amended

- **Motion by:** _____ **Bob Knapp** _____
- **2nd by:** _____ **Ray Meadows** _____
- **Discussion:** _____ **None** _____
- **All those in favor say I?** _____ **All** _____ **Those opposed?** _____ **0** _____
- **Motion: Passed**

15. Presidents Report:

Change, it seems like everywhere and every time we turn around we are met with change. It is in our businesses, families, parishes, certainly at times even our bodies. And the Knights of Columbus organization is not immune from change and its effects. We just want stability, things to stay the same for no other reason really than we like things to stay the same. However, circumstances arise in this ever changing life that make it necessary to take a different approach to what is the status quo.

But you want to say to Supreme "enough is enough." Out with the chapeaus in with the beret, newfangled online recruiting, changing requirements for achieving Gold Star recognition, video admission degree, and now a new approach to exemplifications and our code of silence. Why?

Like it or not gaining new members is no longer as easy as putting on a Sunday breakfast and inviting a non-member as a guest. Too many distractions in today's world compete with our ability to not only recruit new members but at times to keep the members we have. Television, social media, gaming, constant requests for donations from every type of organization under the sun are constant barrages for our time. The truth of the matter is that the Knights of Columbus is in the same situation as every kind of volunteer, social, service, charitable organization as it relates to gaining new

members, keeping the members we have, and staying relevant to our times. Many organizations which were once exclusively fraternal in nature have had to change such as Rotary and Lions to name just two and have long ago opened membership to women: (no, accepting women as members is not what I'm getting to). So it is not a surprise that the KofC at the Supreme level needs to adapt, change, and even eliminate what are seen as barriers to obtaining new members.

Here is but one example that I am certain that every Knight who has tried to recruit new members or even a Grand Knight has heard from some parish priests; "the Knights of Columbus is a secret society. It vow allegiance to the Order before the Church." This has been a barrier, misrepresented as it is, for years upon years.

So the new change that Supreme is asking for your acceptance is a change to our exemplification ceremonies. Yes, the admission degree had as a cornerstone the pledge of silence and I don't need to explain why but it certainly wasn't to circumvent the teachings of Holy Mother Church. Therefore, exemplifications will no longer be just for Knights in good standing but an open ceremony.

Also, in its very description the KofC is a Catholic, fraternal, family, service organization. Supreme in recent years has asked councils to stress our family aspect of our activities so why not include family in a very important facet of our lives? Wives will understand why a husband dedicates time away from family, sons/grandsons might be stimulated to work alongside fathers/grandfathers and eventually become a member and parish pastors might see what we really accomplish has nothing to do with secrecy.

Yes change is difficult but one thing will never change for us Knights and that is our four principles of Charity, Unity, Fraternity, and Patriotism.

No matter what the change remember our principles and remain an everyday hero.

16. Treasurer's Report. (Frank Evans)

Cash in Bank \$352.44. Savings in Bank \$1146.78 Overall in Bank \$1,499.22

17. Reading of the bills and communications

I will entertain a motion to pay the bills

- o **Motion by:** No Bills
- o **2nd by:** _____
- o **Discussion:** _____
- o **All those in favor say I?** _____ **Those opposed?** _____
- o **Motion: Passed or Failed**

18. Old Business: None

New Business:

Ad for the Convention capped at \$140.00 Motion by Al Seconded by Rick = All in Favor.

St. Patrick's Day Parade information – click on link below – handout registration
<http://guadalupechapter.com/KOFC4th/Parades/St-Pats-Parade-3-14-20.pdf>

President Mike Rolla will register the Chapter

19. State Membership Coordinator Jason Pasioneck Report:

None

20. Chapter Ceremonials Chair Report (Spl Ast. Support - SK John Lopez):

2nd and 3rd Jan 25, 2nd and 3rd March 28 Florence, 1728 Forms, 1295 Audit is due Feb 15, 10784 Council must be submitted to Supreme for an outstanding program,

21. District Marshal's SK Bob Knapp Report:

Funeral for Jim Rooney please come out and support his family, All Schools Mass on Jan 31 please come out and show support, Feb 22 next exemplification of the 4th degree 120 anniversary of the 4th degree, Confirmation at the end of February, St Patrick Parade entry fee of \$125.00 motioned made John Lopez and seconded by Jerry, All in Favor, Talked on the new regalia with a new supplier at a reduced rate, Contact Bob for the relaxed rules for participating in Funerals,

22. Insurance Agent's Report:

None

23. District Deputies Reports

District Deputy	Deputy	Report
District Deputy #3	Telesforo H. Barrera	Star Cncl Awd.
District Deputy #8*	Daniel E. Miltenberger	
District Deputy #9*	George J. Demetrios	
District Deputy #13	DeWayne Scott	Made report
District Deputy #23	Donald G. Wiseman	
District Deputy #26	Daniel J. Rolenc	No report

District Deputy #30*	Byran Hartwig	
District Deputy #34	Alan (Al) Batey	No report
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24. State Officers Report:



- **Exemplification**
- **Membership first mentality**
- **State convention**

I was marching in the Parade for the March of Life. Pikes Peak Citizens for Life. They are pulling many organizations together for a meeting on the third Sunday of every month, working in concert with the Apostolate for the diocese. They would like to ask the knights who have facilities in permission to use facilities who would like to host the meetings and as similar to tonight have some sort of a small meal and refreshments. So I said I wouldn't mention it because they knew we were having this meeting tonight and you all know how to get in touch with Pikes Peak citizens for life. I suppose I'm asking if you want to take an active part in those meetings and perhaps host them.

Next I want to discuss the Convention. It is here in Colorado Springs It has been a long time since we hosted the Meetings in Colorado Springs. It will be on April 23, 2020. It will start at 4:30 in the Cathedral on Thursday followed by the Clergy Appreciation Dinner. We have no conflicts with the Diocese this year so all of us are looking forward to this event Marvel opportunity to say thank you to our own clergy. Bishop Rodriguez Ramirez Diocese of Denver will be celebrating Memorial Mass Saturday so please be reminded to have your Necrology form in on time (check the website for instructions) so that we can remember my brothers that we lost this year since the last Convention. Please remember to submit your Delegates and Alternates. **I expect to see maximum participation because you don't have to travel very far to come.**

The next topic here is membership first mentality I don't think there's anybody here tonight who has attempted to remove members that I've stopped. I've been very generous allowing for removal, and I'm asking now that you be very generous and your efforts to bring in new members. Tonight you listened to the Delta Drive with the different approaches.

Next the New Exemplification: You should have received for me the guidance to roll out the new exemplification. So just to be clear you have all the tools that you need to be prepared. It's up to the grand night and to select the members that are going to presenters. It's up to the District Deputy when he thinks he's still got it down long enough to present in a matter to edify the candidates. District Deputy to say yes in fact you do and then them to notify ceremonials coordinator and myself. I will provide my feedback and permission for you to start using degree and I don't know how I could have made it much simpler but that's how we want to proceed with this and you did agree.

Do not hold up a Knight to get his first degree. You have the video.

The above notes do not reflect the State Deputies entire speech.

Hear the entire presentation on our website (click)

<http://qudalupchapter.com/KOFC4th/Snd-1-16-20/SD-Chris-Foley.mp4>

25. Next Meeting and Location

District 26 is the next Hosting District.

Council 11514 will Host at St. Peters

SK Bob Knapp – Grand Knight (and is also our District Marshall)

District Deputy – SK Daniel J Rolenc

When: March 16, 2020 a Monday

Where: St. Peters

55 Jefferson St, Monument, CO 80132

Here are the directions to the now PMC. The Chapter meeting will be on the first floor. However our council meetings are on the second floor in the Fr. McGivney room.

Directions: Take Monument/Palmer Lake exit (161) off of I-25. Proceed west on 105. At the traffic light the road name changes to 2nd St. Proceed west on 2nd St to the second stop sign and turn left on to N Jefferson St. Turn right after about 200 feet into the church parking lot. The new Parish Ministry Center is the large two tone brown building (on the right) attached to the old St Peter Church (now our adoration chapel) at the north end of the parking lot.

26. Closing Ceremony District Deputies:



First Reader:

We conclude our meeting by listening to Jesus say to us

What he said to his disciples in his Sermon on the Mount:

Second Reader:

"You are like light for the whole world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden.....

No one lights a lamp and puts it under a bowl:

Instead, it is put on a lampstand,

Where it gives light for everyone in the house.

**In the same way
Your light must shine before people,
So that they will see the good things you do
And praise your Father in Heaven. . ~ Mathew 5:14-16**

(Group Extinguishes Candle)

Final Reader

**The light of this candle is now extinguished.
But the light of Christ in each of us must continue to shine in our lives.**

**Toward this end, we pray together the LORD's Prayer:
“Our Father.....”**

● Closed at: _____8:46_____